

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) ~~Method for use~~A method of operating in a network device which is a component of a multimode communication system and which is operable to serve a multimode terminal in a first mode, the method comprising the steps of:

~~the network device supporting the first mode, receiving service request signalling from~~a ~~the~~ multimode terminal for requesting ~~any~~a service that the terminal supports in at least one of the various modes supported by the multimode terminal, ~~but which is not supported~~said service being unsupported by the ~~receiving~~ network device or by the multimode terminal in the ~~serving~~ first mode, and

~~characterized in that the network device is a network element of the multimode network~~handing over the multimode terminal to another network device supporting a second mode and the requested service in order to establish the service in the second mode for the multimode terminal to receive the requested service from the other network device in the second mode, the requested service being supported by the multimode terminal in the second mode.

2. (CANCELLED)

3. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that the network device is using~~further comprising receiving service request signalling messages that as such are used for services supported in the first mode, ~~but using signalling parameter code points indicating a specific service that is not supported by the network device or by the multimode terminal in the first mode but the specific service being supported by another system operating in the second mode~~wherein one or more service request parameters in said messages indicate that a specific service is unsupported by the network device or multimode terminal in the first mode and that the specific service is supported by the other network device operating in the second mode.

4. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~wherein the service

request signalling is triggered by a ~~mobile station~~multimode terminal originated service establishment request.

5. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~wherein the service request signalling is triggered by a network originated service establishment request.

6. (Currently Amended) ~~Method for use in~~A method of operating a multimode terminal device ~~for use in a multimode communication system, the method comprising the steps of:~~
~~the multimode terminal device~~ sending service request signalling to a network device operating in ~~the~~a first mode, for requesting ~~any~~a service that ~~the~~ terminal supports in at least one of the various modes supported by the ~~multimode~~ terminal ~~device~~, ~~but which is not supported~~said ~~service being unsupported~~ by the ~~receiving~~ network device or by the multimode terminal ~~device~~ in the ~~serving~~first mode, ~~and~~
~~characterized in that the network device is a network element of the multimode network~~receiving a ~~handover command to handover to another network device supporting a second mode and the~~ ~~requested service, the requested service being supported by the multimode terminal in the second mode.~~

7. (CANCELLED)

8. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 6, ~~characterised in that the multimode terminal device is further comprising~~ using service request signalling messages that as such are used for services supported for the first mode, ~~but using code points indicating a specific service that is not supported in the first mode, either by the multimode terminal or by the network operating in the first mode~~wherein one or more service request parameters in said messages indicate that a specific service is unsupported by the network device or multimode terminal in the first mode and that the specific service is supported by the other network device operating in the second mode.

9. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 6, ~~characterised in that the multimode terminal device is further comprising~~ using service request signalling that is not known by the network device operating in the first mode ~~and where the service request from the terminal is then forwarded by the network operating in the first mode, for forwarding~~ in a transparent container, to the other network device operating in a second mode, the second mode being also supported by the terminal, the network supporting the second mode decoding the service request and initiating a service based handover towards the network operating in the second mode where the requested service can be established ~~for allowing the other network device to decode the service request signalling and to initiate a service based handover towards the other network device.~~

10. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 6, ~~characterised in that wherein~~ the service request signalling is triggered by a ~~mobile station~~multimode terminal originated service establishment request.

11. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 6, ~~characterised in that wherein~~ the service request signalling is triggered by a ~~network system~~ originated service establishment request.

12. (Currently Amended) A Multimode terminal comprising:
~~a transmitter means for sending service request signalling to a network device operating in the a first mode, for requesting any a service that the terminal supports in at least one of the various modes supported by the multimode terminal, but which is not supported by the receiving said service being unsupported by the network device or by the multimode terminal in the serving first mode, and~~
~~characterized in that the network device is a network element of the multimode network a receiver for receiving a handover command to handover another network device supporting a second mode and the requested service, the requested service being supported by the multimode terminal in the second mode.~~

13. (CANCELLED)

14. (Currently Amended) A multimode terminal according to claim 12, where the multimode terminal ~~device is using~~is configured to use service request signalling messages that as such are used for services supported ~~for~~ in the first mode, ~~but using code points indicating a specific service that is not supported in the first mode, either by the multimode terminal or by the network operating in the first mode~~said messages comprising one or more service request parameters indicating that a specific service is unsupported by the multimode terminal or network device in the first mode and that the specific service is supported by the other network device operating in the second mode.

15. (Currently Amended) A network device operable to serve a multimode terminal in a supporting first mode, comprising:

~~means a receiver for receiving service request signalling from a~~ the multimode terminal for requesting ~~any~~ a service that ~~the terminal supports~~ in at least one of the various modes supported by the multimode terminal, ~~but which is not supported by the receiving~~said service being unsupported by the network device or by the multimode terminal in the serving first mode, and characterized in that the network device is a network element of the multimode network a handover module for handing over the multimode terminal to another network device supporting a second mode and the requested service, the requested service being supported by the multimode terminal in the second mode.

16. (CANCELLED)

17. (Currently Amended) A network device according to claim 15, where the network device is using~~configured to receive~~ service request signalling messages that as such are used for services supported in the first mode, ~~but using signalling parameter code points indicating a specific service that is not supported by the network device or by the multimode terminal in the first~~

~~mode but the specific service being supported by another system operating in the second mode~~ said messages comprising one or more service request parameters indicating that a specific service that is unsupported by the network device or multimode terminal in the first mode and that the specific service is supported by the other network device operating in the second mode.

18. (Previously Presented) A method for providing a service in a multimode communication system supporting at least a first mode and a second mode using different radio access technologies, the method comprising:

signaling in the first mode with a multimode terminal supporting at least the first mode and the second mode;

receiving a service request for a service in the first mode;

verifying, based on terminal capability information, whether the multimode terminal supports the service in one of the first mode and the second mode;

deciding to move the multimode terminal to the second mode when the step of verifying shows that the service is not supported by the multimode terminal in the first mode and is supported by the multimode terminal in the second mode.

19. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 18, wherein the step of receiving comprises receiving the service request from the multimode terminal using service request parameters that exceed capabilities of the multimode terminal in the first mode.

20. (Previously Presented) A multimode communication system supporting at least a first mode and a second mode using different radio access technologies, the system configured to:

signal in the first mode with a multimode terminal supporting at least the first mode and the second mode;

receive a service request for a service in the first mode;

verify, based on terminal capability information, whether the multimode terminal supports the service in one of the first mode and the second mode;

decide to move the multimode terminal to the second mode when the step of verifying shows that the service is not supported by the multimode terminal in the first mode and is supported by the multimode terminal in the second mode.

21. (Previously Presented) A method for receiving a service in a multimode communication system supporting at least a first mode and a second mode using different radio access technologies by a multimode terminal supporting at least the first mode and the second mode, the method comprising:

sending a service request for a service to the multimode communication system in the first mode, wherein the service request comprises service request parameters that exceed capabilities of the multimode terminal in the first mode;

allowing to move the multimode terminal to the second mode when the multimode communication system finds the service is not supported by the multimode terminal in the first mode and is supported by the multimode terminal in the second mode.

22. (Previously Presented) A multimode terminal supporting at least a first mode and a second mode using different radio access technologies, the terminal configured to receive a service in a multimode communication system supporting at least the first mode and the second mode, the terminal further configured to:

send a service request for a service to the multimode communication system in the first mode, wherein the service request comprises service request parameters that exceed capabilities of the multimode terminal in the first mode;

allow to move the multimode terminal to the second mode when the multimode communication system finds the service is not supported by the multimode terminal in the first mode and is supported by the multimode terminal in the second mode.